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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated October 4, 2003 of the Examiner's final rejection of claims 1-10, 27-38, and 40-47.

Applicant's attorney's check in the amount of Three Hundred Twenty (\$320.00) Dollars is enclosed to cover the cost of the Notice of Appeal filing fee.

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